

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 565

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Alpha Eta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated, for its outstanding work in coordinating the Alpha Phi Alpha/March of Dimes-Project Alpha collaborative and for receiving the 2005 March of Dimes Project Alpha Chapter of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, In October of 2004, representatives from Alpha Phi Alpha, The University of Texas School of Public Health, the University of Houston, Texas Southern University, the March of Dimes, and the Houston Independent School District hosted the 2004/2005 Project Alpha Kick Off for the Houston Independent School District; and

WHEREAS, The schools chosen to participate in the project were Westbury High School and Kashmere High School; during the event, the subjects discussed with the students included the Alpha national program Go-to-High School/Go-to-College, adolescent pregnancy and fatherhood, and responsibility, respect, and the role of males in relationships; and

WHEREAS, Following the event, the brothers of the Alpha Eta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha then created a program in which its members visit Westbury and Kashmere High Schools for the purpose of mentoring students on a yearlong basis and implementing the Project Alpha curriculum; and

WHEREAS, The Project Alpha program has won several awards in the past year for its contributions to the Houston community, such as the 2004 Uplift Award presented by Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee and the Commendation for Meritorious Service by the Board of Education of the Houston Independent School District; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend the members of the Alpha Eta Lambda Chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity for their exemplary work on behalf of the Houston community and congratulate them for earning the 2005 March of Dimes Project Alpha Chapter of the Year Award; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for them as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 7, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate